8697 Government of Kerals No. 40/PAG/71/Fin Department Trivandrum, Dated 28-5-1971 IRCULAR Sub: - Public Accounts Committee 1970-71 - Second Report -Recommendation No.1 - Para 1.22 - Delay in sending replies to draft paras - instructions issued. The Public Accounts Committee in its recommendation No. 1 on para 1.22 of the Second Report 1970-71 has adversely commented on the delay on the part of Government in sending replies to draft paras. The recommendation of the Public Accounts Committee is extracted belows "It is seen that though the audit para was received by Government in October 1969, a reply was sent to audit only on December 14, 1970 ie. seven days before the meeting at which this subject was to be examined. The Committee view with dis-satisfaction the unconcessionable delay on the part of Government in sending replies to draft papes and they desire that instructions may be issued by the Finance Department to exhort all Department to adhere to the time limit prescribed for furnishing replies to draft paras". Attention of all Secretaries to Government is invited to the above recommendation of the Committee and they are requested to keep the time limit in sending replies to draft paras and to ensure that such occasions for adverse comments by the Committee are avoided in future. In this connection attention is also invited to para 30 of the 'Hand Book of Instructions' issued by the Finance Department wherein it has been stated that the result of the verification of the draft para should be communicated to the Accountant General within six weeks from the date of its receipt and in case the the final reply could not be forwarded within the time limit of six and weeks an interim reply should be sent within three months from the date of receipt of the draft para. P. VELAYUDHAN NAIR, Finance Secretary. To All Heads of Departments. Bnat. on A5-20732/71(K.Dis) at. 16-6-71 Copy communicated to all sub officers for information and futu guidance. They are requested to keep the time limit prescribed Any delay in sending replies to the draft paras within the prescribed time limit will be viewed seriously, and they will be held solely responsible for the delay caused in furnishing final replies to the Accountant General or Government within a period of three months. In case of failure their names will be reported to Government for suitable action. The Head of the ministerial staff in each office mus (make a note of all such cases and watch the progress of action so that replies could be submitted promptly. 34/= for Chief Conservator of Forests. P.T.O

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